

TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

Business.
Yesterday's bank clearings were \$2,236,968, including \$1,121,004 local discount rates were steady between 4 1/2 and 5 1/2 per cent. Domestic exchange was quoted as follows: New York, par bid, 10c premium asked; Chicago, 10c premium bid, 10c premium asked; Cincinnati, Louisville and New Orleans, 10c discount bid, par asked.
Wheat closed lower at 82 1/2c asked May, 84 1/2c asked No. 2 red, corn closed lower at 24 1/2c asked May, 25c No. 2 white, oats closed at 24 1/2c asked May, 25c No. 2 mixed. The local market for spot cotton was steady and unchanged.

Washington.
The Commissioner of Internal Revenue is preparing a bill looking to the redemption of uncollected war revenue stamps.
Council for Rear Admiral Schley have presented to Secretary Long his formal and detailed objections to the findings embodied in the report of the majority of the Naval Board of Inquiry.

The fight between the Republican factions of Missouri over the appointment of a Surveyor of the Port and Collector of Revenue at St. Louis was ended yesterday by the President appointing Judge Charles F. Gallenkamp to the first-named position and Charles F. Wencker to the second.
The Philippine tariff bill passed the House yesterday by a vote of 163 to 128. Congressman McCall, Republican of Massachusetts, forcibly arraigned the administration for its policy in the Philippines.

LOCAL AND SUBURBAN.
The police are asked to locate three children who are missing from the Faith Home.
Length of skirt decides damage suit in favor of Miss Lucille Goldsmith in Judge Ryan's court.
St. Louis capitalists interested in scheme to build large reservoir on river front for storing Beaumont oil to be brought here in boats.
Robert Bruce, a veteran of the Ninth Infantry, tells of his service in the Philippines and China.

Opposition developed to the Terminal Railroad petition at a special hearing before the St. Louis County Court.
William Yeager of Webster Groves offers to settle a dispute with Mayor Young by a fight to a fist fight.
In Mrs. Aurelia Devoto's rooming-house at No. 112 1/2 street creates much excitement in the neighborhood.

Post Office Inspector Dice receives information that may lead to the capture of the men who stole registered mail at the Post Office annex.
Attorney Charles T. Noland is arrested and charged with frequenting an opium den.

The Police Board held an open session, which was attended by pastors and other members of the community, to take up the social evil problem in St. Louis. It has been decided to move the district, but the location has not been determined.

Circuit Judge Tully hears a permanent injunction to Elmer W. Chase against Journeymen Steam Fitters' Union, No. 23. Governors of six States will attend the round-robin ceremonies on the World's Fair site.

Colonel William H. Phelps of Carthage, Mo., declares it could not have been his law partner, Judge E. O. Brown, who was interested in the dismissal of the Caldwell trial.

GENERAL DOMESTIC.
The trial of Mrs. A. B. Richardson is set to begin on January 1.
American historians will hold a meeting in Washington next week.

The committee chosen by the Labor and Industrial Conference has organized by electing Senator Elmer A. Taft as president and Samuel Gompers first vice chairman, and adopting a declaration of purposes.

In honor of Miss Mildred Lee, daughter of the famous General, the Virginia Senate adjourned for five minutes yesterday.
The United Metals Selling Company has again entered the arena and the copper trade war is on in earnest.

It is rumored that Captain Hobson may be a deal with the reporter who first published the item that he was engaged to wed Miss Lindlow.
Max O'Reil announces that he will go to New York to undergo an operation for appendicitis and if he recovers, will return to Europe.

Six men freezing to death on a raft in the middle of the Mississippi River were picked up by a steamer early Wednesday morning after enduring horrible sufferings.
Dallas, Tex., is preparing for the National Bazaar of the Confederate Veterans of the Transmississippi Department.

Harvard announced that it has abandoned the oldest letter 5 in its next tests and attempted to send a message across the Atlantic by the Anglo-American cable company, which would provide a further link between the continents by utilizing the people of America and Europe.

President Schwab of the Steel Trust appoints a collector for a Christmas poem and for giving him a \$100 bill and then goes for him.
FOREIGN.
United States troops routed Filipinos in the Philippines Tuesday, the Filipinos falling at any time to make a stand.

A Berlin paper declares that "a high moral obligation" should move the United States to intervene in the South African war.
RAILROADS.
Changes in official titles on the Denver and Rio Grande system will be made January 1.

Primary relations have been established between the Southern Pacific and the Rock Island.
Vladimir took probably will have a part interest in management of Wabash, as part of Gould plans to reach New York.

Central Passenger Association grants reduced rates to the Merchants' Association of New York.
Southwestern R. Y. M. C. A. representatives meet in St. Louis.

REPORTING.
Old England broke the California record for the most snow in January at Oakland. "Wind Chills" has been prohibited from sailing because of a discovery that his ship is seriously affected.

Maritime Intelligence.
Vladimir, Dec. 18-Arrived: Queen Adelaide, Seattle, via Tacoma, for Port Arthur.
Kong, Dec. 18-Arrived: previously: Bremen, Baltimore, Portland, Ore., via Mexico and Yokohama; Olympia, Tacoma, via Yokohama.

Paris, Dec. 18-Paris: Steamer Columbia, New York, via Gibraltar, for Algiers, Naples and Genoa.
Quebec, Dec. 18-Arrived: Wasegan, from Montreal for Liverpool.
Liverpool, Dec. 18-Arrived: Oceania, from New York; Sylvania, Boston.
Plymouth, Dec. 18-Arrived: Deutschland, from New York, for Cherbourg and Hamburg.

BITTER PATRONAGE WAR
ENDS IN A DRAWN BATTLE.

Among Missouri Republicans
Judge Charles F. Gallenkamp of Union, Mo., a Friend of Bartholdt and Joy, is Appointed Surveyor of the St. Louis Port, and Chas. F. Wencker, Kerens's Second Choice for Smith's Place, is Named Collector of Internal Revenue—Both Factions Disappointed—Hitchcock Expresses His Approval.

BARTHOLDT SAYS APPOINTEES ARE PRESIDENT'S SELECTIONS.



JUDGE CHARLES F. GALENKAMP
Of Union, Mo., appointed Surveyor of the Port of St. Louis.

Washington, Dec. 18—The President today decided upon Judge Charles F. Gallenkamp of Union, Mo., for Surveyor of the St. Louis port, in place of Charles H. Smith, formerly secretary for Colonel Kerens, and Charles F. Wencker for Collector of Internal Revenue, in place of H. C. Grenner. Both nominations will be sent to the Senate Thursday.

This ends the first chapter of the most bitter patronage fight that has been waged at the White House in recent years. It will not clear the way for settlement of other appointments in the State.

Gallenkamp's selection is a disappointment to both sides. Accompanying the announcement is an authorized statement intended to soften the blow, that Kerens and Akins will be permitted to recommend for offices in the State outside of St. Louis. In the city, appointments are to be made on the understanding of Joy and Bartholdt.

BOYD'S FRIENDS CANNOT EXPLAIN HIS TURNING.
The failure of Boyd to land the surveyorship is not easily explained by the men who have supported him. The President decides that the Republican Congressmen are to control the appointments, and these gentlemen insist that they "stood pat" for Boyd and recommended no other candidate for Surveyor; and also they professed surprise that Wencker is slated to succeed Grenner.

The Akins forces have claimed from the beginning that Smith would be beaten, and they had assurances also that Boyd would be appointed. When it became clear to Colonel Kerens and his allies that Smith would not be reappointed, they turned their guns on Boyd, filing numerous trivial charges against him, including his relationship to Governor D. R. Francis. To the extent of defeating Boyd, they scored a victory.

The President's announced policy to permit Kerens and Akins to name Federal appointees in the State outside of St. Louis, causes some amusement among politicians here. After six weeks of wrangling over the surveyorship, without getting anywhere, it is not surprising that results will be reached in other cases. It is clear, at least, that where terms of officials expire, each case will be taken up on its individual merits. President McKinley's statement will have to fight for reappointment, and new men are likely to be taken by President Roosevelt in the majority of cases.

REASON FOR THREE REASONS FOR BEING WELL PLEASED.
Secretary Hitchcock has expressed himself as well pleased with the disposition of the question, for three reasons:
First—The appointment of Gallenkamp, to whom he is personally very friendly and who has recommended by Representatives of Franklin County, has been for several terms chairman of his congressional committee, and he is beloved by the people in that district.
Second—Practically leaving the selection of officers in the various bureaus to the Republican Representatives therefrom, and
Third—The participation of Mr. Akins in the selection of State-at-large officers.

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New Leather Goods.
Marabout and Ostrich Novelties.
Silk-Lined Gloves.
Gilt French Desk Clocks.

Foreign cases full of novelties received yesterday give an entirely new appearance to several of our departments. Nearly 500 pieces of the most beautiful Pocketbooks, Card Cases, Bill Books, Coin Purses, Cigar and Cigarette Cases, in the newest leathers, no two designs quite alike, \$1.00 to \$5.50 each.

In the Neckwear novelties of Marabout, Ostrich and Chiffon, there are several things entirely new and totally unlike what we have had before this season.

A new lot of Silk-lined Gloves, made to our special order and just received—very handsome, \$1.25 Per Pair.

A few French Novelty Gilt Clocks, in desk sizes; these are all original models and genuine, accurate time-pieces.

Scruggs, Vandewort & Barney
DRY GOODS COMPANY.

Congressional Committee in Bartholdt's district, and has been a member of the Congressional Committee ever since, and has always been regarded as a "Congressman's first lieutenant" in all his campaigns. He was a delegate to the Republican National Convention in 1896. He has been a member of the Republican State Committee for some twelve years in all, being twice elected as a member-at-large. He is at present chairman of the Republican State League, having been first elected to that position in 1898, and re-elected in 1900.

While he is an intimate political and social associate of Secretary Hitchcock, Congressman Bartholdt and Joy, Chairman Akins and Messrs. Charles Parsons and W. H. Thompson. It is believed by his friends that he is not objectionable to Kerens, as he has never been active against the National Committee. He has a wife and is the father of three children. This appointment came to him unsolicited and unexpected.

LOCAL LEADERS REGARD SELECTIONS A COMPROMISE.
The announcement of the President's intention of settling the bitter factional fight among Missouri Republicans by sending the nominations of Judge Gallenkamp and Wencker to the Senate was received by local Republicans with little surprise, except among those who had been most active in the fight for patronage. It has been generally accepted by the rank and file of the party, that the selection of Wencker and Gallenkamp was a compromise between the two factions.

Majority campaign was prominently mentioned as a candidate for Mayor. He is a member of the Republican City Central Committee, and of the Merchants' League, and belongs to several fraternal, social and commercial organizations. He is married and lives at No. 2233 University street.

The office of Collector of Internal Revenue pays a salary of \$4,500 a year. The Collector has at his disposal seventeen office berths and seven clerical positions. He is a Federal officer, the Collector has no fixed tenure of office, being removable at the pleasure of the President.

Mr. Wencker said yesterday that he would qualify and file his bond probably on January 2, and take charge. "I will make no immediate changes in the office force," he said. "I must have time to familiarize myself with the office and consider how I can better the service, as I intend to maintain one of the most efficient and satisfactory administrations the office has ever known."

RECOMMENDS SERUM FOR DOG DISTEMPER.
Dr. T. E. Delaney Claims to Have Discovered an Absolute Preventive.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
New York, Dec. 18—Lovers and owners of well-bred dogs will be interested in the discovery of a serum for distemper by Dr. T. E. Delaney, a prominent veterinarian. Doctor Delaney has been experimenting for over ten years with a serum or vaccine, and demonstrated Friday night in his laboratory the practical results of his investigations before a body of veterinarians.

In the past three weeks five fox terriers were vaccinated and put in a room with three canines suffering from distemper in various stages of the disease. All were kept with these dogs until the distemper had passed off, and not one of the animals which had been vaccinated was affected in any way by the disease. Doctor Delaney has vaccinated, all together, 29 dogs, and kept in touch with the owners of these animals, and has had word from some of them that he had read his clinic.

Veterinarians say that any dog vaccinated with this serum will be immune from distemper, and they have requested Doctor Delaney to make his discovery known to the veterinary world.

The operation of vaccination is performed on the dog as it is on human beings. The serum is rubbed in the inside of the hind leg where there is no hair. The value of the serum is in the fact that it is known that valuable dogs are destroyed every year by so-called humane societies, and the cause which led to the killing in ninety-nine cases has been directly attributed to distemper.

MAY FIGHT NEW YEAR'S DAY.
White and Younger May Come Together in This City on January 1.

In a dispatch to the sporting editor of The Republic, wired from Chicago at the close of the day, Charles Haughton of the West End Club, this city, states that he has made a bid for the White and Younger fight, which is to take place on New Year's afternoon and hopes to pull off the bout on that date.

The company still holds the signatures of both men in their contracts for the battle, which was originally scheduled for the latter part of November in this city. Both are anxious for the match, and Haughton is hopeful of bringing it off.

Taylor City Belt Railway.
The Taylor City Belt Railway Company has been incorporated by C. G. Warner, George H. Taylor, J. C. Merritt, R. F. Younk, R. L. Winchell and C. H. Beggs. Capital is \$500.

The company will build a connecting line of standard-gauge railway between the Frisco and the Missouri Pacific tracks and the Taylor City Belt Railway, which will run to the southern boundary line of the Taylor City Belt Railway.

The World's Fair Executive Committee has appointed a subcommittee consisting of C. G. Warner, John Scullin, Howard Elliott and Murray Carlton, to meet with the Taylor City Belt Railway Company and discuss the question of a traffic manager for the terminal railway system of the World's Fair.

TO CURE A COUGH IN ONE DAY.
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine. Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. See.

Westerners in New York.
REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
New York, Dec. 18—Among the arrivals at the hotels here to-day were the following Westerners:
G. C. Carpenter, H. Weaver and Mrs. Weaver, Manhattan; F. H. Knight, J. S. Perry, A. Sinclair, J. W. E. Grey, R. J. Wood, A. S. Robinson, Norman, G. Willis, Waldorf, R. E. Brant, Grand Union; W. Perry, best known; Doctor A. Durling, Ashland.
W. H. McMillan, J. E. Shannon, B. F. Hastings, Grand.

Fine Furs.
An Exceptional Opportunity to Purchase Holiday Gifts.

This morning we shall show for the first time a special purchase of Fur Neck Pieces.
Natural and Blended Hudson Bay Sable, Baum Marten Scarfs and Boas, both in long and short effects.

Sable, Isabella and Blue Fox, Black and Cinnamon Bear, Mink, Beaver, Black and Blue Lynx and Chinchilla Sets.
These Furs were selected especially for the holidays and are marked at considerably less than early season's prices.

Also a full line of Misses' and Children's Fur Sets, \$1.75 to \$20.00 per set.

Trimmed Millinery.
1/3 off.

Our regular Pre-Holiday Sale of Women's Dress, Street and Outing Hats, including Paris models, began yesterday morning and will be continued throughout the week.

At a reduction of 33 1/3% from former prices

Dress Goods.
Skirt-Lengths and Dress Patterns.

In the Black Goods Department we have arranged a special sale of Dress and Skirt Lengths for the holidays.

The assortment consists of

DRESS PATTERNS—
7 yards of 40-inch All-Wool Cheviot for \$3.50
7 yards of 40-inch All-Wool Fancy for \$3.25
5 yards of 44-inch All-Wool Fancy Serge for \$3.00
6 yards of 44-inch All-Wool Fancy Granite for \$3.10
6 yards of 46-inch All-Wool Zibet Cloth for \$6.00

SKIRT LENGTHS—
5 yards of 40-inch All-Wool Cheviot for \$2.50
4 yards of 40-inch All-Wool Homespun for \$4.00
4 yards of 46-inch All-Wool Zibet Cloth for \$4.00

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COMMITTEE CHOOSES HANNA AS CHAIRMAN.
Body Created by Labor and Capital Conference Organizes and Declares Its Plans.

TO KEEP INDUSTRIAL PEACE.
To Help Establish Rightful Relations, to Prevent Strikes and to Act as Arbitrators Where Called Upon to Do So.

New York, Dec. 18—The General Committee appointed yesterday at the labor and capital conference to-day organized, elected its officers, chose its name, and adopted a declaration as to its plans and scope. The officers chosen are:

Chairman—Senator Mark Hanna.
Vice Chairmen—Samuel Gompers and Oscar S. Straus.
Secretary—Charles A. Moore.
Committee on By-laws—Oscar S. Straus, S. R. Callaway, James A. H. Smith, John J. McCook, Samuel Gompers and Harry Hite.

The committee on By-laws will report a set of by-laws to the Executive Committee at a meeting to be held about the last week in January, the date to be fixed by the chairman.

This declaration as to the plan and scope of the committee was given out:

"This committee shall be known as the Industrial Department of the National Civic Federation, and its purpose shall be to do what may seem best to promote industrial peace, to be helpful in establishing rightful relations between employers and workers, by its good offices to endeavor to obviate and prevent strikes and lockouts; to aid in reviewing industrial relations where a rupture has occurred.

"That at all times representatives of employers and workers, organized or unorganized, should confer for the adjustment of differences, and that before any strike stage is reached, and thus avoid or minimize the number of strikes or lockouts.

"That mutual agreements as to conditions of labor should be encouraged, and that when agreements are made the terms thereof should be faithfully adhered to, both in letter and in spirit, by both parties.

"That department, either as a whole or a subcommittee if appointed, shall, when requested, act as a forum to adjust and decide upon questions at issue between workers and their employers, providing that, in its opinion, the subject is one of sufficient importance.

"This department will not consider abstract industrial problems.

"This department assumes no power of arbitration unless such powers be conferred by both parties of a dispute.

"This department shall adopt a set of by-laws for its government."

CLEVELAND HAS NOT DECIDED.
Princeton, N. J., Dec. 18—Former President Cleveland was asked to-day whether he had accepted membership on the Labor Committee appointed in New York yesterday. Mr. Cleveland said:

"I have not yet accepted it. I am not prepared to make a statement at the present time."

TO REDUCE WAR REVENUE STAMPS.
Internal Revenue Commissioner is Preparing a Relief Bill.

Washington, Dec. 18—As a result of representations made to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue by members of Congress, that official is preparing a bill which will be offered in the House of Representatives for the reduction of unused revenue stamps, purchased under the war-revenue act. Claims aggregating thousands of dollars have been filed with the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, but under a ruling of the department they cannot be paid without action by Congress. The legislation to be proposed will be applicable to unused stamps that have been purchased since the war began, and it is proposed to make a time limit in which claims must be filed in order to secure their payment. The program of the Ways and Means Committee.

Amos Crocker of Worcester Falls.
After going through a frightful surgical operation and after trying a number of salves and ointments, Amos Crocker of Worcester Falls, Mass., gave up and called on Dr. J. C. Williams. He was cured in a few days and is now well. All druggists sell it. Little cost, big relief. Write for particulars to Dr. J. C. Williams, Worcester Falls, Mass.